

A RESOLUTION to recognize the month of June 2022 as Lesbian, Gay, Bi-Sexual, Transgender, Queer, Intersex, Agender/Asexual+ (LGBTQIA+) Pride Month in the City of Lakewood.

WHEREAS, this Council and City are committed to making Lakewood an inclusive, safe, and welcoming place for the LGBTQIA+ community and for all those who live, work, and visit our City; and,

WHEREAS, all people, regardless of sexual orientation, gender identity, age, ability, race, color, religion, national origin, or physical challenges have the right to feel safe in our community, and live free of discrimination and harassment; and,

WHEREAS, the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, and Queer, Intersex, Agender/Asexual+ (LGBTQIA+) community has made significant contributions to the cultural, social, and economic successes of Lakewood; and,

WHEREAS, the LGBTQIA+ community has undergone recent attacks from the Ohio legislature, producing bills that forbid LGBTQIA+ topics from being taught in schools and prohibiting various forms of health care for Transgender youth; and,

WHEREAS, this Council and City are proud of their demonstrated efforts to support the LGBTQIA+ community in Lakewood, noting the passage of Ordinance 1-16 in 2016, which prohibits discrimination against LGBTQIA+ workers and residents in the workplace, housing, public accommodation, and in education, as well as banning the harmful practice of conversion therapy within Lakewood's borders; and,

WHEREAS, this Council will continue to work to ensure full inclusion, safety, equality, and acceptance of the LGBTQIA+ community; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD, OHIO:


Section 1. That this Council and Administration does hereby declare June 2022 as LGBTQIA+ Pride Month in the City of Lakewood and authorizes and directs the Pride Flag to be flown at City Hall for the month of June.

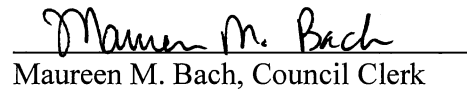
Section 2. That this Council and Administration does hereby recognize the LGBTQIA+ community's contributions to Lakewood success and expresses its commitment to further progress.

Section 3. It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the passage of this resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Council, and that all such deliberations of this Council and any of its committees that resulted in such

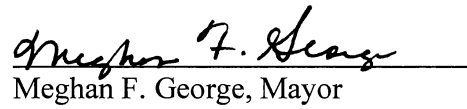
formal action, were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements.

Adopted: 6/6/2022


John Litten, Council President


Maureen M. Bach, Council Clerk

Approved: 6/8/22


Meghan F. George, Mayor